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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Tatsuo AKIYAMA, et al.

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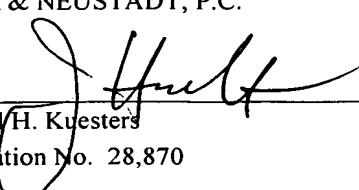
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Japanese Patent 2001-14021: This reference shows a similar delivery response system. (Fig. 1 and lines 6-17 of page 1)

Japanese Patent 2000-296903: This reference shows a similar delivery date response system. (Fig. 1 and lines 6-15 of page 1)



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